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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PETRI).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
May 15, 2014.

I hereby appoint the Honorable THOMAS E. PETRI to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Edward Fasset, S.J., Jesuit Conference of the United States, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Good and gracious God, we give You thanks this day for the life You grant us anew and for the creation that sustains us.

We especially ask Your blessing upon the Members of this assembly. Give them wisdom, empathy, discipline, creativity, patience, and kindness in their dealings with each other and in their discernment about the needs of our great Nation. Help them to be responsible leaders and fellow citizens with those whom they represent. May their work this day reflect our common understanding of what is good and true.

As another school year moves toward commencements and summer vacation, we give thanks for our Nation's appreciation for the value of a good education. May our national policy for education always reflect that same appreciation.

May all that we do this day, both in the people's House and throughout our Nation, be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 576, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. SHUSTER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SHUSTER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 3080, WATER RESOURCES REFORM AND DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2014

Mr. SHUSTER submitted the following conference report and statement on the bill (H.R. 3080) to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes:

CONFERENCE REPORT (H. REPT. 113-449)

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 3080), to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) *SHORT TITLE*.—This Act may be cited as the “Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014”.

(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS*.—

- Sec. 1. *Short title; table of contents.*
- Sec. 2. *Definition of Secretary.*

TITLE I—PROGRAM REFORMS AND STREAMLINING

- Sec. 1001. *Vertical integration and acceleration of studies.*
- Sec. 1002. *Consolidation of studies.*
- Sec. 1003. *Expedited completion of reports.*
- Sec. 1004. *Removal of duplicative analyses.*
- Sec. 1005. *Project acceleration.*
- Sec. 1006. *Expediting the evaluation and processing of permits.*
- Sec. 1007. *Expediting approval of modifications and alterations of projects by non-Federal interests.*
- Sec. 1008. *Expediting hydropower at Corps of Engineers facilities.*
- Sec. 1009. *Enhanced use of electronic commerce in Federal procurement.*
- Sec. 1010. *Determination of project completion.*
- Sec. 1011. *Prioritization.*
- Sec. 1012. *Transparency in accounting and administrative expenses.*
- Sec. 1013. *Evaluation of project Partnership Agreements.*
- Sec. 1014. *Study and construction of water resources development projects by non-Federal interests.*
- Sec. 1015. *Contributions by non-Federal interests.*
- Sec. 1016. *Operation and maintenance of certain projects.*
- Sec. 1017. *Acceptance of contributed funds to increase lock operations.*
- Sec. 1018. *Credit for in-kind contributions.*
- Sec. 1019. *Clarification of in-kind credit authority.*
- Sec. 1020. *Transfer of excess credit.*
- Sec. 1021. *Crediting authority for federally authorized navigation projects.*
- Sec. 1022. *Credit in lieu of reimbursement.*
- Sec. 1023. *Additional contributions by non-Federal interests.*
- Sec. 1024. *Authority to accept and use materials and services.*
- Sec. 1025. *Water resources projects on Federal land.*
- Sec. 1026. *Clarification of impacts to other Federal facilities.*
- Sec. 1027. *Clarification of munition disposal authorities.*
- Sec. 1028. *Clarification of mitigation authority.*
- Sec. 1029. *Clarification of interagency support authorities.*
- Sec. 1030. *Continuing authority.*
- Sec. 1031. *Tribal partnership program.*

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